# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# OCEAN DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

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EXCLUSIVE ECONOMIC ZONE
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**Will the Minister of OCEAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) the limit of our territorial water at present;

(b) whether the Government propose to increase it under the international law;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government also propose to increase the Exclusive Economic Zone; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

## Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT, MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) The limit of India`s territorial waters is 12 nautical miles from the baseline.

(b) No, Sir .

(c) Does not arise.

(d) and (e) No, Sir. However, Government is in the process of delineating the Continental Shelf lying beyond the Exclusive Economic Zone in accordance with the provisions of United Nations Convention on Law of the Sea.